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REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of prior pending application number 09/035,624 filed on March 5, 1998 entitled MULTIMEDIA DIRECT ACCESS STORAGE DEVICE AND FORMATTING METHOD by the following inventors:

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1.		Enclosed is a copy of the prior patent application containing 96 pages of specification, 10 pages of claims, 26 sheet(s) of drawings and 1 page of abstract. Also enclosed are copies of the Declaration and any amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application. (It is noted that no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.)			
		The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.			
2.	\boxtimes	Cancel original claims 2-28 of this application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)			
3.		A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the next number after the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)			
4.	\boxtimes	Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph after the title:			
		This application is a divisional of application serial number 09/035,624 filed March 5, 1998, which is a continuation of application serial number 08/866,377, filed May 30, 1997, which is a continuation of application serial number 08/478,328, filed June 7, 1995. The applications are incorporated herein by reference.			
5.		Small entity status a. A small entity statement is enclosed. b. A small entity statement was filed in the prior non provisional application. c. is no longer claimed.			

The filing fee is calculated below

CLAIMS					
	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Fee	
Total Claims	1	0	X \$18.00	\$ 0	
Indep. Claims	1	0	X \$80.00	\$ 0	
Multiply Dependent Claims					
			Basic Fee	\$ 710.00	
			TOTAL	\$ 710.00	

6.	Payment of fees
	A check in the amount of \$710.00 is enclosed.
	Please charge Deposit Account Number 50-1038
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7.	\boxtimes	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16-1.18 to Deposit Account Number 50-1038.					
8.		The priority of	application number	er , f	iled	, is claimed und	der
		35 U.S.C. §119. A certified copy has	been filed in prior a	application	number	, filed	
9.	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned of record to International Business Machines Corporation recorded at reel 7835 and frame 0591.					
10.		This application is filed by fewer than all the inventor named in the prior application. Please delete the following inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application.					
11.		An Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO 1449 and copies of enclosed.					
12.	\boxtimes	New Correspondence	e Address				
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13.	\boxtimes	Address all correspondence to Mark A. Hollingsworth.					
14.		A petition to extend the term in the prior application from to is enclosed. A check in the amount of for the above reference extension is enclosed.					
15.		Also enclosed:					
16.	\boxtimes	A return postcard is	enclosed.				
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